

# FISCAL NOTE

## HB 666 - SB 914

March 31, 1997

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires health insurance plans to include obstetrician-gynecologists as eligible primary care physicians.

### ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

**Increase State Expenditures - Exceeds \$100,000**  
**Other Fiscal Impact - Increase Expenditures/Health Insurance**  
**Industry - Exceeds \$100,000<sup>1</sup>**

Assumes an increase in TennCare capitation rates paid to managed care organizations would be necessary to cover higher costs of using obstetrician-gynecologists rather than general practitioners.

The enactment of this bill would not directly impact the state employee health insurance plan or most local government plans, since self-insured plans are exempted by Federal law (ERISA).

<sup>1</sup>The impact on the health insurance industry is included as required by Chapter 244 of the Public Acts of 1989.

### CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



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